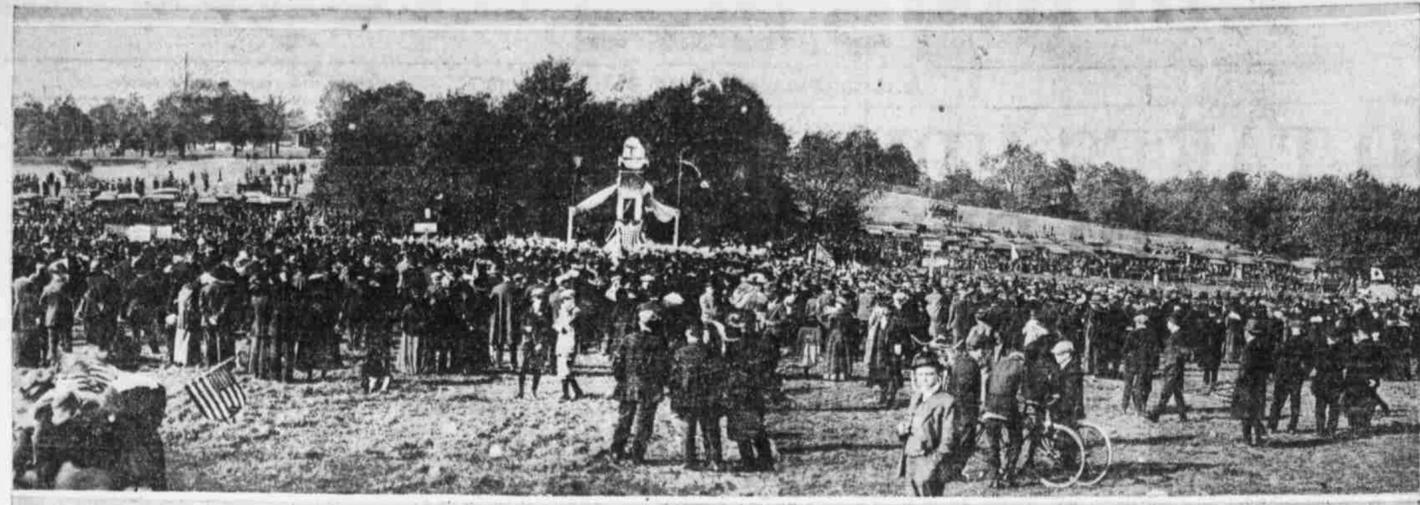


THOUSANDS JOIN IN SONG AND FLAG FESTIVAL



Under the auspices of the Community Singing Association, the Chamber of Commerce and other organizations, a vast throng assembled today on Belmont Plateau and participated in a gigantic celebration in honor of the men who are fighting for the democracy of the world.

CONTRACT FOR LIBRARY ON PARKWAY VALID

Court Dismisses Suit of Taxpayer and City Scores Important Victory

President Judge Audenried, of Court of Common Pleas No. 4, has made an order dismissing the suit brought by Walter E. Taylor, an attorney, attacking the contract for the Free Public Library Building on the Parkway at Nineteenth street.

HUNTING HORSE THIEVES AND BARN BURNERS

Sharp Lookout on Main Line Follows Fire on Clement A. Griecom Estate

A sharp lookout for horse thieves and barn burners is being maintained today on the Main Line following a fire in a Soapstone Farms stable of the Clement A. Griecom estate, at Gladwynne, and the arrest of a number of men believed to be incendiary origin.

VINELAND GAS HEARING ENDS

Application of N. J. Gas Company for Increased Rates Due to War's Effect on Production Cost

The hearing on the application of the New Jersey Gas Company, which supplies gas to seventeen or eighteen communities in South Jersey, for an increase in the price of gas in the borough of Vineland and the township of Landis was concluded today before Ralph W. Donges, chairman of the Public Utilities Commission of New Jersey.

"SONG AND FLAG" FESTIVAL IN PARK

100,000 Philadelphians Participate in Today's Patriotic Event

More than 100,000 Philadelphians gathered on Belmont plateau, Fairmount Park, this afternoon to do honor with a Festival of Songs and Flags to the men who have gone from Philadelphia into the national service to fight for the democracy of the world and for human liberty.

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AIRMEN SCATTER FLAGS

As the "Star Spangled Banner" was sung to the accompaniment of military bands and roaring cannon in realistic representation of battle, airmen from the Philadelphia Navy Yard and Essington soared above, showering the throng with thousands of small American flags.

10,000 CHILDREN JOINED IN SINGING

Ten thousand school children formed the greatest single body of singers. Massed choruses of trained singers flanked the children on right and left and between the children and the singing audience were the Navy Yard Barracks Band and the Philadelphia Police Band.

MANY SINGING ORGANIZATIONS

Among the organizations that took part in the festival were the Presser Choral Society, Matinee Musical Club, Haydn Club, Choral Union, Wyanaker Chorus, Strawbridge & Clothier Chorus, Stetson Chorus, Logan Glee Club, Settlement Music Club, Philadelphia Choral Society, Philomusical Chorus, Philadelphia Orchestra Chorus and the New Century Glee Chorus.

CHARMED BY UNIFORM, WOMAN TAKES POISON

Bogus Army Man, With Trail of Broken Hearts, Stripped of Regimentals in Court

CLEVELAND, O., Oct. 12.—Another army romance is shattered. Mrs. "Billie" Schwartz is at the point of death today at Edlie Road Hospital and "Lieutenant" Merrill C. Snyder is in jail charged with impersonating an officer.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Francis R. Fox, 819 N. Stillman st., and Elizabeth M. Fox, 1244 High st., and Eugene Trinitis, Trenton, and Annie Trinitis, Trenton.

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WARE WILL REVEAL "PLOT" PIECEMEAL

Arrests of Newspaper Men Expected as First Move in Expose

Usually there are few week-end delings in politics, but this Saturday every one is scanning the horizon in expectation of the arrests promised by "the little man," as a result of the Fifth Ward "tumult."

FIFTH WARD CASE RESULT

Senator, who threatened to "serve the warrants first and talk about it afterward," was clamorous today in regard to the warrants.

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RUSSIA URGES ALLIES TO MAKE POLAND FREE

Ambassador Bakhmetieff's Telegram to Chicago Convention Shows Petrograd Aims

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—Russia is seeking from the Allies quick confirmation of her proclamation of April last for a free Polish nation.

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THEATRES TO PAY \$250,000,000 TAX

Huge War Levy Will Be Made by United States on Philadelphians

A war tax of a quarter million dollars will be paid by Philadelphians if, after November 1, they still want to go to the theater or to other amusement places when admission is charged.

OTHER CITY NEWS BRIEFS

Women Filling Easier Jobs Women are to replace men in virtually every branch of industry in this country...

Dance Aids Hospital Upkeep

A dance was given last night by the staff of the West Philadelphia Homeopathic Hospital, Fifty-fourth street above Girard avenue, at Market street below Fortieth...

Stole Horse, Fired Barn, Is Charged

A man who gave the name of Thomas Wright, of Mount Holly, N. J., was arrested yesterday in West Manayunk on the charge of having stolen a horse from a barn which he immediately afterward set on fire on the Clement A. Griecom estate, at Gladwynne.

Should Have Been on His Wrist

Watches should be worn where they belong and not in one's shoes. James O'Hara, an alleged highwayman, of Queen Lane, had a watch in his shoe, according to the police, and was arrested by a sleuth who heard the ticking. He is accused of robbing a man in Chinatown.

Set Aside Profits for War Tax

Many Philadelphia corporations already are setting aside part of the profits with a view of paying the war tax. On pure "guesswork," as one official of the company expressed it, the Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Company has set aside \$150,000 for that purpose.

Contributions for Shut-In

The Pennsylvania branch of the Shut-In Society appealed yesterday for contributions in order that it might carry on its work in spite of the soaring war prices. Articles made by shut-ins are on sale at 201 South Second street.

PHILADELPHIA SOLDIER IN FRENCH ARMY DIES

John Hendricks, of Twelfth Pennsylvania Cavalry, Succumbs to Illness of Several Weeks' Duration

Word was received today of the death of John Hendricks, a private of the Twelfth Pennsylvania Cavalry, in France. Hendricks was thirty-four years old, lived at 2411 North College avenue. He enlisted in June, 1916, and was sent to France last August. According to a cablegram from France, Hendricks' death followed an illness of several weeks.

\$10,000 Fire Near Reading

READING, Pa., Oct. 13.—Fire today threatened the Black Bear Hotel on the Philadelphia pike, near here. A barn and garage were burned and two horses, two automobiles and a big crop of hay and grain were destroyed. Passing motorists dismounted the blaze. The damage amounts to about \$10,000.

Could You Enjoy Your Open Car in Yesterday's Rain? Of course you couldn't. Didn't you envy the man who sped along the street or out in the country in his cosy, rain-proof enclosed car? He was getting year-round and weather-defying comfort out of his car. Rain, snow or cold has no terrors for him—or her either. The enclosed car gives the maximum of pleasure and utility during the entire twelvemonth. Drop in today or tonight and see the luxurious line of Cadillac enclosed cars—all types—fitted with every imaginable convenience for traveling comfort. Cadillac Salon, 144 North Broad Street.

VISITORS' DAY CAMP MEADE MARYLAND SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14 For the accommodation of Families and Friends of the Pennsylvania Boys in camp, SPECIAL TRAIN will leave Philadelphia for Camp Meade and return on the following schedule: Lv. 24th & Chestnut Sts. 7:15 A. M. Lv. Chester 7:34 A. M. Lv. Wilmington 7:50 A. M. Returning, leave Camp Meade at 5:15 P. M. Tickets at Ticket Offices: 1341 Chestnut Street and Station, 24th and Chestnut Streets. Baltimore & Ohio R. R.

Engine Derailed, Engineer Killed; CATAWISSA, Pa., Oct. 12.—Engineer killed at Joesburg, near here, about 10:30 p. m. when a passenger engine on the Catawissa and Norfolk branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad was derailed and overturned. The engine was derailed and overturned near Joesburg, Pa., when it was crossing a trestle over a deep ravine. The engine was derailed and overturned near Joesburg, Pa., when it was crossing a trestle over a deep ravine.